

“Probate Records of Andrew Steelman, of Gloucester County, New Jersey, died intestate 1772”

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*Andrew Steelman was the son of Andrew Steelman and Judith ____; he was the grandson of James Steelman and 1st wife Susannah Toy; he was the great-grandson of Hans Mansson and Ella Stille; and he was the 2nd great-grandson of Olof Stille.

*Andrew married Hannah Ingersoll on 3 JUN 1747, per marriage license/bond at New Jersey State Archives.

*Inventory taken 24 FEB 1772. Letters of Administration granted to Hannah on 11 MAR 1772.

*After Andrew died in 1772, Hannah went on to marry Samuel Scull. Hannah outlived Samuel Scull. Samuel Scull wrote his will 3 JUN 1774, and it was proved 28 JUN 1777. In Samuel Scull's will, he mentions wife Hannah Scull and her children: Nicodemus Steelman under age 21, and Judith, Hannah, and Christiana Steelman, all under age 18. Inventory was taken by James Steelman and Daniel Steelman (James and Daniel were Hannah's eldest adult sons).

*Per Gloria Dei Church records on 19 MAY 1765, Andrew and Hannah had all their children baptized, except the youngest two girls, Hannah and Christiana, because they weren't born yet. The record in the church book states: “James born 27 MAR 1748, Daniel born 15 APR 1750, Frederick born 21 MAR 1752, Peter born 9 JUL 1754, Andrew born 12 MAR 1757, John born 12 MAR 1759, Nicodemus born 17 JUN 1764, Jude born 26 AUG 1763, Children of Andrew and Hannah Steelman, mother being also baptized at 36 years old.”

*Information about the children of Andrew Steelman and Hannah Ingersoll:

1. James Steelman, Esquire, the eldest son, married Susannah Smith, had issue.
2. Daniel Steelman, Esquire, married Eleanor Edwards, had issue.
3. Frederick Steelman, married Naomi Edwards, had issue.
4. Peter Steelman.
5. Andrew Steelman, married Hannah ____.
6. John Steelman.
7. Judith “Jude/Judiah” Steelman, married John W. Jeffries, had issue.
8. Nicodemus Steelman, married Hannah Weatherby, had issue.
9. Hannah Steelman.
10. Christiana Steelman, married 1: Andrew Blackman, Jr., had issue, married 2: Joseph Sutton.

*Andrew Steelman's probate records are at New Jersey State Archives, and they are also scanned to FamilySearch.org as a locked record, so you have to go to a Family History Center or affiliated library to view the images. From FamilySearch.org, see DGS #5650426, images 643-646.

TRANSCRIPTION:

An Inventory of all the Rights Goods and Chattles and personal Estate of Andrew Steelman Late of Egg harbour in the County of Gloucester Deceas. Taken and Appraized the 24th Day of February Ano Domi 1772:

[Of note, values below are in pounds, shillings, pence]

To Wearing Apparel and Cash 10.13.6

To six yoke of oxen and chains and 2 wagons 93.5.0

To Cows and Calves and Steers 87.2.6

To young Cattle 19.7.6

To three horses 28.0.0

To Fortifive [45] Swine 14.7.6

To Poultry 3.4.0

To Looking Glass and Desks and Cubboards 32.7.0

To Homespun Cloath [cloth] and one Side Saddle 13.12.3

To six Beds and Furniture 62.7.6

To plantation utensils 21.15.15

To one Negroe Woman 50.0.0

To Household Goods 24.4.5

To 60 Bushel of Indian Corn and a Sail Boat 18.0.0

To Household Furniture 19.3.7

To 42,000 feet of Boards and a Quantity of Shingles 154.19.9

To the half of a Small Schooner 50.0.0

To 29 Acres of Grain on the Ground 22.16.0

To more Plantation utensils 11.16.10

Except to a Note of hand 7=2 and Cash 2=3 9.5.0

Total: 746.8.3

Finished the above Appraizment the 26th Day of February Anno Dom 1772 By us Grrows Excepted

Signed: Noah Smith

Signed: Joseph Edwards

Hannah Stealman Administratrix of the Goods Chattels Rights and Credits of Andrew Stealman deced [deceased] being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose that the within Writing contains a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Andrew Stealman decdd [deceased] as far as have come to her knowledge or possession or to the possession of any other person or persons for her use.

Sworn before me the 11th day of March 1772.

Signed: James Bowman

Signed: Hannah Stealman "her mark X"

Joseph Edwards one of the appraisers of the within Instrument being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose that the Goods Chattels and Credits in the said Inventory set down and specified were by him appraised according to their just and true respective ____ values after the best of their Judgment and understanding and that Noah Smith the other appraiser whose name is thereunto

Subscribed was present at the same time and consented in all things to the doing thereof and that they appraised all things which were brought to their view for appraisement

Sworn before me the 11th March 1772

Signed: James Bowman

Signed: Joseph Edwards

Know all Men by these Presents, That We Hannah Steelman of Great Egg Harbour in the County of Gloucester and Western Division of the Province of New Jersey Widow and Joseph Edwards, County of Cape May and Province, Yeoman are held and firmly bound unto His Excellency Wiliam Franklin Esq Governor and Captain General in and over the Province of New Jersey in the Sum of 1500 Pounds Proclamation Money to be paid to said Excellcy Governor Franklin his Successors or Assigns to which Payment well and truly to be made, We bind us, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals, and Dated the 11th Day of March Anno Domini 1772.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if the above-bounden Hannah Steelman Administratrix of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of Andrew Stealman deceased, do make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased, which have or shall come to the Hands, Possession or Knowledge of the said Hannah Stealman or into the Hands of any other Person or Persons for her Use, and the same so made, exhibit or cause to be exhibited into the Registry of the Prerogative Court, in the Secretary's Office, at Burlington, on or before the 11th Day of September next ensuing, and the same Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased, at the Time of his Death, or which at any Time after, shall come to the Hands or Possession of the said Hannah Stealman or unto the Hands or Possession of any other Person or Persons, for her Use, do well and truly administer according to Law; and farther do make or cause to be made, a just and true Account of her Administration, on or before the 11th Day of March now next ensuing the Date hereof; and all the Rest and Residue of the said Goods, Chattels and Credits, which shall be found remaining upon the Account of the said Administratrix the same being first examined and allowed of, by the Judge for the Time being, of the said Prerogative Court, shall deliver and pay unto such Person or Persons respectively, as the said Judge for the Time being, of the said Court, by his Decree or Sentence, pursuant to the true Intent and Meaning of an Act of Parliament, made in the 22nd and 23rd Years of the Reign of King Charles the second entitled An Act for Settling Intestate Estates, shall limit and appoint. And if it shall hereafter appear, that any last Will and Testament was made by the said Deceased, and the Executor or Executors therein named, do exhibit and the same into the said Prerogative Court, making Request to have it allowed and approve accordingly: If the said Hannah Stealman being thereunto required, do render and deliver up the said Letters of Administration, Approbation of such Testament being first had and made in the said Court; then the above Obligation to be void, or else it shall stand in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of:

Signed: James Bowman

Signed: "her mark X" Hannah Stealman

Signed: Joseph Edwards

Hannah Stealman the Administratrix within named being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose that Andrew Stealman died without a Will so far as she knows and as she verily believes that she will well and truly Administer all and singular the Goods Chattels Rights and Credits which have or shall come to her Hands or possession or to the possession of any other person or persons for her life and that she will make and Exhibit into the Prerogative Office at Burlington a true and perfect Inventory of the said Goods Chattels and Credits and render a true and just account of this Administration.

Signed: "her mark X" Hannah Stealman

Sworn before me on this 11th Day of March 1772

Signed: James Bowman

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Gloucester County

Admin. Bond 1500

Hannah Stealman

Joseph Edwards

To: Gov. Franklin